

THE COURIER

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1899.

Opening of the Baneroff House in this City. Dinner, Toasts, Speeches, Ball, etc.

Wednesday last, the day set apart for the opening ceremonies at the Baneroff House in this city was from the first dawn as bright and beautiful as the heart could wish, with a fine refreshing breeze from the southward. At ten A. M., Osmond's Cornet Band turned out in full uniform, and from time to time during the day culminated the scene with more excellent music. At half past ten the delegation from Goderich arrived, among whom were His Honor, Mayor McDevall, and several other prominent citizens of that place. Dr. A. W. Butler, correspondent of the Buffalo Courier, also accompanied the delegation. They were taken charge of by the Reception Committee, and under escort of the Band and others proceeded immediately to the Hotel. After this, people continued to arrive from all quarters during the day, and no less than eight different steamers landed at our wharves between nine in the morning and six in the evening. At three P. M. an excursion party went out on the *Kaloolah* returning at 5.

At six o'clock, the hour appointed, dinner was served up, and though seats were provided for over 300 people, there was not room enough at the table for all of the guests. Of the dinner, it is only necessary to remark that everything "in the bill" was there in rich profusion, and most excellent taste was displayed in the arrangement and ornamentation of the tables. We give the

BILL OF FARE.

SUPPER: : : : MOCK TURTLE.

FISH.

Boiled Pike, Lobster Sauce,
Baked Fish, Onion Sauce,
Boiled White Fish, Egg Sauce,
Baked White Fish, Chutney Sauce.

COLD DISHES.

Boiled Tongue,
Boiled Ham,
Boiled Corned Beef and Pork,
Chicken Salad.

BOILED.

Boiled Chicken and Potatoes,
Boiled Chicken and Potatoes,
Turkey, Egg Sauce,
Leg of Mutton, Capers and Parsley Sauce.

ROAST.

Roast Beef,
Roast Pork,
Roast Chicken,
Roast Turkey,
Roast Mutton,
Roast Lamb.

ENTREES.

Pigeon Fried in Butter,
Pigeon Fried in Butter,
Chicken Fried in Butter,
Chicken Fried in Butter,
Chicken Fried in Butter,
Chicken Fried in Butter.

VEGETABLES.

Boiled Potatoes,
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Boiled Potatoes,
Boiled Potatoes.

PASTRY.

Table Ornament—East Saginaw in 1850—1859.
Table of Janus, 21 Temple of Janus.

FRUIT.

Apples,
Pears,
Peaches,
Raspberries,
Blackberries,
Strawberries.

The table ornaments mentioned were very handsome and attracted much attention, the one representing "East Saginaw in 1850—1859," being quite original in its design, was the most noticed; it was in the form of a temple with columns, in the portal, in the back ground, under the head of 1850, was an Indian eagle, in which big Indian, papoose, wigwags, canoes, bows and arrows, camp kettles, etc., were miscellaneous spread after the manner of "the camp," and in front, as coming up to the present state of civilization, was a representation of the Baneroff House, steamers and vessels on the river, steam mills, churches, school houses and residences such as now are the pride of our city. On the top and sides on standards and banners were inscribed the names of some of our oldest and most prominent citizens. The effect of the whole was very fine.

After the feasting followed the wine and sentiment, and truly it was a "feast of reason and flow of soul" with a corresponding and very exhilarating flow of spirits.

The following are the

REGULAR TOASTS.

1. Groomed Baneroff.—A polished patriot, an able historian; a high-minded, patriotic citizen, and God-father of this house. May the Saginaw valley soon demand honorable mention in his noble history of our country.

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to this toast. He alluded to the appropriateness of the name as a fitting tribute to one whose pen had more truthfully, beautifully and fittingly portrayed our country and its institutions, than it had been done by any, and all other writers.

2. The Baneroff House and its Proprietor.—This house, second to none in this State, the Proprietor worthy of the house. May it, like its Godfather, ever prove a blessing to the public.

Music—"Good Cheer" Quickstep.

Responded to by M. B. Hess, Esq.

3. The Governor of the State of Michigan.—We are happy to welcome on this occasion our able Chief Executive. A Governor who recognizes the rights of Northern Michigan.

Gov. Wisner in response said that though grateful for the compliment, he claimed no particular merit in consequence. Justice was all that the north required, and its inexhaustible resources were a sure guarantee that it would go on prospering and to prosper. No gentleman could look around and see the spot where but a few short years ago the bear, the deer, the wolf, the wild-cat, and the untamed Indian roved undisputed; now transformed into a beautiful city, with its four thousand inhabitants, its churches, its school houses and its hotel unequalled in Michigan, and not be convinced that Northern Michigan was fully equal to the task of protecting itself. As for Saginaw Valley it was unsurpassed by any portion of the State, for fertility, the richness of its resources, and the intelligence and enterprise of its inhabitants.

4. Jesse Hoyt.—One to whom the citizens of East Saginaw are largely indebted for all public improvements, and whose example is worthy of our highest commendation.

Music—"Here's health."

Responded to by W. L. WEBBER, Esq.

5. The Saginaw Valley.—Its Commercial Advantages. Its valuable and inexhaustible forests, its manufacturing facilities and its agricultural resources, are justly indicative of its present proud position and future greatness, and it needs only to be known to be appreciated.

Responded to by Hon. James Birney who remarked that the Saginaw Valley, formed by the Saginaw and its tributaries was unequalled by any territory of like extent in the State, for fertility and lumbering, and mineral resources, and embraced at least one third of the Lower Peninsula. The prosperity of any people is indicated by their habitations, and certainly this scene is a most flattering evidence of the prosperity of this section. Mr. B. gave a brief sketch of the advancement of Saginaw County as follows: Population in 1840, 900; in 1850, first town meeting in East Saginaw at which there were 1854 Saginaw County cast 1000 votes, in 1856, 2700. Such rapid growth indicates unmistakable thrift, and the speaker rejoiced in the prosperity of all sections. There were an abundance of mineral resources too, in the valley, iron, salt, coal and plaster, enough to support an extensive population aside from lumbering and agriculture, and in his opinion a city second to none in the State, would in time arise at some point on the Saginaw river.

6. Hon. Norman Little.—Milton in Paro.

Music—"Pioneer Quickstep."

Responded to in a feeling and appropriate manner by J. B. Dillingham, Esq.

7. The Flint & Pere Marquette Railway, Its President, Directors, Chief Engineer, and Contractors. The energy they have thus far displayed, gives the best assurance that we shall soon have a rail-way connection both East and West.—Gentlemen, we appreciate your labors and hope they may be speedily consummated, and richly remunerated.

Music—"Wait for the Wagon."

Responded to by Dr. H. C. Potter, who in conclusion gave the following volunteer toast:

8. The People of Saginaw Valley.—May they soon get what their industry, enterprise, eminent sobriety and unnumbered virtues, so justly entitle them to—a ride on a rail.

9. The Mayor and Citizens of Goderich.—May we ever welcome you as we do this day, as our neighbors and friends.

Music—"God save the Queen."

Responded to by Mr. Jones of Goderich.

10. The Mineral wealth of this Peninsula.—Responded to by Prof. Challis, Assistant State Geologist who gave very interesting accounts of his discoveries in the Saginaw Valley, confirming the accounts in regard to the mineral wealth of this region.

11. The City of Detroit and its Mayor.—Music—"Old folks at Home."

To this toast Mayor Patton of Detroit responded. This was his first visit to Saginaw, and he confessed his surprise, at what he had seen thus far. His impressions were that it was a low, flat country, the next thing to worthless, but here he found on all hands evidences of energy, enterprise, thrift, and prosperity, such as but few sections can boast, a city which bids fair to rival Detroit. (He hoped it might be so soon to be a hotel of which any city might well be proud.)

12. Goderich Line of Steamers.—A bold enterprise, that from the iron energy of its proprietors "knows no such word as fail."

Music—"Iron Boots Quickstep."

Responded to by Mr. Lizar.

13. Saginaw and Genesee Plank Road.—The first overland inlet to the Saginaw Valley; its present condition indicates the valuable service it has rendered the public. Through the energy and enterprise of the gentlemen who are proprietors thereon, Messrs. Biss, Burrell & Co., it has been made an agreeable and comfortable route.

Music—"Jordan."

Responded to by C. B. Mott, Esq.

14. Our mothers, wives, sisters, and daughters.—To those we are indebted for life, comfort, happiness; may the debt

ever be regarded as sacred, and though we can never repay it, we will spare no effort to keep down the interest.

Music—"Come haste to the Wedding."

Responded to by Hon. C. P. Avery of Flint.

In response to a volunteer toast to The City of Flint, Hon. W. M. Fenton made some piquant remarks, alluding handsomely to the present as the first great hotel enterprise in Northern Michigan, and treated the company to a humorous enumeration of the merits and virtues of his colleagues of the Flint delegation, which "set the table on a roar."

Volunteer toasts were also drank to The late Gardner D. Williams.

Her Majesty, Queen Victoria.

The Post Office Department, as also others which we did not note.

After the banquet and the toasts, the Ball was next in order and soon a beautiful, gay and brilliant company assembled to "trip the light fantastic," and without interruption the Therapeutic festivities went on till the "glorious king of day" had deeply tinged the eastern horizon with "streakings of the morning light" when the gallant cavaliers escorted their lady loves to their respective homes. "They danced all night till broad daylight and went home with the girls in the morning." During the whole of the festivities from first to last there was nothing to mar the harmony of the occasion, and everything passed off to the entire satisfaction of all that we have seen. As appropriate at this time we publish in conclusion a portion of the description which we published some weeks since.

THE BANEROFF HOUSE.

is situated on the corner of Genesee and Washington streets, having a front of one hundred feet on the former and one hundred and twenty feet on the latter. It is built of brick, with stone sills and curved iron lintels for the windows. The main building is ornamented with a heavy cornice, and the finishing walls above capped with white marble. The roof, which was laid by New York workmen, is of one cross' leaded tin, and cost \$15,000. This is surmounted by a cupola 12 feet square, of proportionate height, the roof of which projects 4 feet on each side, and is ornamented with heavy corner brackets. The lower story front on Genesee street is of iron, and two apartments 20x60, in the N. W. corner, are finished off for stores or other business purposes. The corner room is occupied by W. L. P. LITTLE, as a Bank and office, the other as a clothing store.

The building is four stories high, and the height of the several stories in the clear is respectively from 1st to 4th, as follows: 13; 12; 11, and 10 feet. The halls in each of the stories are 10 feet in width, running the entire length of the building.

The main entrance is on Genesee St. Ladies' entrance on Washington St., with a flight of stairs ascending to the Ladies' parlor above.

FIRST STORY.

On the right of the hall, in the N. E. corner of the building, is the office, 28x28, back of this the Dining Hall, 35x68, and still back of this the Stewards' room, Pantry, &c. On the left, the rooms commencing at the front, are arranged as follows: Shaving Saloon, 12x28; Reading Room, 12x28, and in the rear of these the Porter's Room, Bath Rooms, Wash Rooms, &c. The culinary apartments are still back, and in point of convenience and perfection of appointments and appearances are equal to those of any hotel east or west.

SECOND STORY.

On the left of the hall, in this story are five suits of parlors, 16x18, to be used either single or double, with windows opening on Washington street.—The General Reception Room, 28x28, is directly over the office on the left. To the right, over the Shaving Saloon is the Gentlemen's Parlor, 21x28; still further to the right, reached by a Hall leading from the Main Hall, is the Billiard Room 32x60, calculated for four tables, two of which are now up. The balance of the second story is divided into Ladies' Bath Rooms, and what are designated the "Landlady's apartments," being appropriated for the use of the domestics, help, &c.

THIRD STORY.

This story is divided throughout into suits of rooms to be used single or together as may be desired. The parlors are 16x18; Bed Rooms 12x18, with clothes presses off.

FOURTH STORY.

This story is occupied entirely by single sleeping rooms, 16x18, and 12x18 in size.

GENERAL ARRANGEMENTS.

By means of a six horse power steam engine, both hot and cold water are carried to every story of the building; all the rooms in the first, second, and third stories, and the Main Hall in the fourth story, are to be lit by gas; the house is painted, finished, furnished, and carpeted throughout in the most elegant and tasteful manner, the beds are all the best of hair mattresses, with linen sheets and pillow cases, spring bedsteads of late pattern; the laundry arrangements for washing and drying clothes are excellent and in every department, in fact, it is in all respects, a "First Class House." The rooms are all large, airy, and well ventilated, the halls spacious, the stair ways broad and easy of ascent. The cost of the house when fully completed will be \$50,000, the furniture and fixtures \$15,000, making in all the sum little capital of \$65,000.00 employed in the investment. James Hoyt, Esq., of New York, whose capital started this city, and who is now by far the largest property holder here, is the Proprietor. R. Kerby of this city, Architect.

A NEW INSTITUTION.—Mr. W. H. JENNINGS of Rochester, in connection with his brother-in-law, with whom we are yet unacquainted, has purchased the Grocery and Provision department of the extensive establishment of Coppeland & Barton on Water Street, at which point he intends to keep a heavy assortment of Groceries, Provisions, Fruits, Butter, Eggs, Lard, vegetables, &c., all which he has the best of facilities for procuring, being now in trade in one of the very best agricultural districts in Michigan.

First Session of the Circuit Court of Saginaw County.

TAWAS CITY, IOWA CO. MICH. }
Aug. 20, 1899. }

ED. COURIER.—Dear Sir:—On the 6th instant the first session of the circuit court for Iowas county was held at this place, Hon. W. F. Woodworth, presiding. An event considering the amount of business to be transacted, of very little importance, but as an era in the passing history of the development of Northern Michigan worth noting.—This is the first time that the majesty of the law in its judicial forum has broken in upon the native wilderness of any part of the Lake Huron shore of Michigan north of Saginaw.

Its coming in the present instance was more a matter of form for the inauguration of a court that of necessity, as it appeared on the opening of court that there was no business on the docket.—Judge Woodworth was accompanied by Messrs John B. Dillingham and J. L. Fox, Attorneys of your city, and the above state of facts was not very acceptable to the latter gentlemen if we might judge by their lugubrious countenances at the announcement.

They seemed confident however that if they should remain here a short time they could create quite a business.

The residents of this county seem from the record heretofore to have had the good sense to keep out of difficulty with each other, or the pluck to fight it out. The Judge expressed the hope that in his semi-annual journeys to this part of his circuit he would for some time to come be met with the same announcement, "no cases on the docket," to which Mr. Attorney Dillingham put in his demurrer. After simply dismissing an appeal case the court adjourned.

On the previous evening our new Court Room was inaugurated in an informal manner by an impromptu dance, got up by a gay party of the "beauty and the chivalry," of our two young and flourishing Lake ports "Au Fable" and Tawas city.

The Court Room is most pleasantly situated, occupying the second floor of G. O. Whittemore and Company's warehouse, which stands immediately on the bank of our magnificent Bay. It is open on both sides to a full view of Lake Huron and to the fresh and invigorating breezes which sweep over its wide waters. Though the Court Room was filled up in a primitive manner on the spur of the moment the gay party present were charmed with the romantic scenery in sight from the open doors, with the fresh cool night breeze, the broad August moon sailing high over the waters and with the incessant murmur of the waves that broke upon the beach at their feet. In the pauses of the dance calls were made for the judge and the legal gentlemen present who responded in a few brief and flattering, though appropriate, (if we do say it) remarks introducing themselves to the citizens of the county, to the Ladies present, and to their cavaliers.

Judge Woodworth alluded in an impressive manner to the moral responsibility which rested upon the pioneers of young and flourishing communities like these, to see to it that every institution of a civilizing and refining character should be fostered and that both Education and morality should lay the foundations of the new society; while the judge's companions, with an eye to business, doubtless, referred, in a highly colored style, to the fascinations of the gentler sex before them, and in language which was rather "gorgeous" to the brilliant prospects which in the future awaited the two young "cities" of the county—AuSable and Tawas City—as no one pleads a demurrer to these "fireworks" it is to be presumed that the audience accepted the destiny which was spread out before them, and they parted well pleased with their guests and hoping for many such pleasant social gatherings. Judge Woodworth in his brief visits to this county has won golden opinions from all parties, some, from his courtesy, and others from his proved himself on the bench, he is easy and social in his manners, and perhaps has not forgotten the rough but sensible, though unnecessary advice which he has on his electioneering tour along the Lake in 1858—"Now, sir, when you are elected Judge, if you be elected, act just as you do now. Don't get a stiff back, nor hold your head so high you can't see poor folks."

The Judge is evidently not one of the stiff-back kind and as for his friend, Dillingham, you can let him alone for making friends whenever he finds himself. I hope to have the leisure Mr. Editor at some future time to give you a few items of the progress which this country is making, and of the great inducements which it has to offer to settlers.

Yours Truly

OSMAW.

RE.—The wheat market of Goderich still continues brisk and without any decline in prices. The principal buyers are W. M. Savage, Van Every and Rumball, and the Messrs. Seymour. The price during the week has ranged from 90 to 98 cents, and Mr. Savage, we learn, has in one or two instances, paid a dollar for superior samples. Agencies by one or other of the buyers have been opened at Clinton, Brantford, Bayfield, Dunnison, Port Albert, Kingsville and other places throughout the United Counties, so that farmers will have no reason to complain of "long road to market."

SAGINAW AND ITS TRADE.—By the completion of the Lake Huron Railway, and the placing of the steamer Kaloolah upon the route between Goderich and Saginaw, the latter town, and the rich lumbering district that surrounds it, is open to the enterprise, and invites the attention of the merchants of Buffalo. Hitherto Detroit has held the monopoly of the Saginaw trade, which is of considerable importance; but by the opening of this new route it is given over to this city, if we will but take the pains to accept it. The communication is direct, and Buffalo becomes the natural market to which the people of Saginaw must look. It is our part to encourage this inclination; and our merchants should make an endeavor to establish themselves in the good graces of the traders and inhabitants of that country. The wooded wealth of the Saginaw region is such, that an intimate trade connection with it must prove of great value to our city; and it is worse than folly for us to treat the opportunity now offered with neglect. We doubt whether our merchants have thought of this newly opened field much, as yet, and we desire to direct their attention to it; in the hope that some effort will be made to immediately secure all the advantages to be derived from the common now established.

An advertisement in our paper to day affords us a suggestion of the growing wealth and importance of the town, which many are accustomed to regard as a little wilderness port,—the outlet of a rough lumbering region, and not much of a place. The advertisement to which we refer, announces the opening of a splendid new hotel at Saginaw—second to none west of New York, it is said by a grand banquet and ball. This, as we said, is suggestive of the growing importance of Saginaw as a city, and the prosperity of which it boasts.—Buffalo Express 3d.

WHAT THE CENTRAL ORGAN SAYS.—In the year 1856 the *Republican* newspaper was established at Washington as a central organ for the black republican party. Such was the purpose for which it was established, and such has it ever continued to remain for aught we know to the contrary. A few days since, in noticing the charge that was preferred by most of its party sheets that the south would demand a slave-code and the reopening of the slave trade by Congress, and that the democratic party would sustain it in the demand it says: "Nobody seriously believes that any such thing as a Congressional slave code is expected or desired by those who control public affairs at the South."

And it adds: "So too, with the proposition that the African slave trade shall be re-opened by law, or that the penalties denounced against it shall be mitigated. No intelligent southern advocate of the African slave trade is looking to Congress for any new legislation on that subject, or really wishes for it."

Those sheets which have been preferring the charges now, since this unsavory statement has appeared, beseech the public to be light in their judgement, just as the criminal who killed his father and mother hoped the court would take pity on a poor orphan.

DEATH OF LYMAN T. JENNY.—At the funeral of Dr. L. T. JENNY, of Utica, the Physicians of that village and vicinity met, and organized by calling Doct. E. HALL, to the Chair, and appointing Doct. P. A. KNIGHT, as Secretary. The object of the meeting was briefly and appropriately stated by the Chair. A committee of three were appointed to report resolutions expressive of the sense of the meeting.

The Chair appointed Doctors H. TAYLOR, Sen., Wm. BROWNELL and P. A. KNIGHT, each committee. The following resolutions were accordingly reported and unanimously adopted:

Whereas, Divine Providence has suddenly removed from our association and companionship our valued and beloved brother, LYMAN T. JENNY, who has long been prominent in our profession, Therefore,

Resolved, That we deeply lament the severe loss sustained in our Brother's death, not only by the Profession of which he was an ornament, but the community of which he was a member.

Resolved, That our deceased Brother left a character unstained by selfishness, and leaves a bright example of integrity and excellence worthy our constant admiration.

Resolved, That we sincerely sympathize with the family of our departed Brother, from whom death has removed a kind husband and affectionate father, and that the Profession as an evidence of their regard, will attend the funeral of the deceased.

Resolved, That a copy of the above Resolutions be published in the newspapers in Macomb county, and the Secretary transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Doct. TAYLOR, Sen., being called upon, said he had not the time nor ability to pronounce an eulogy upon the much lamented brother. That he had intimately known him for the last 34 years, that for some 20 years of this time, the deceased had been in active and successful practice—that he had consulted with him at various times, and in a variety of diseases, and that he had never known him to deviate from the most strict rules of Professional etiquette or gentlemanly urbanity; as a Physician he was vigilant, kind and benevolent; as a citizen he was moral and exemplary, and as a social companion he was constant and constant, and with a heartfelt emotion, he could mingle his tears with those of the bereaved and much afflicted family and friends of the deceased Brother.

Remarks were also made by Doctors BROWNELL, KNIGHT and others. Whereupon the meeting adjourned.

E. HALL, Chairman,
P. A. KNIGHT, Secretary.